

## Message Text

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ACTION SCS-06

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P 171600Z AUG 78  
FM AMCONSUL BARRANQUILLA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 584  
INFO AMEMBASSY BOGOTA

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: CASC CO (ROWAND,BENJAMIN FRANK)  
SUBJECT: W/W: BENJANIM FRANK ROWAND

REF: BARRANQUILLA 284

1. CONOFF RECEIVED PHONE CALL AFTERNOON AUGUST 16 \*FROM MARIO TELLO, OF UNITED BRANDS CO, CALI. HE SAID HE HAD BEEN CALLED EVENING AUGUST 14 BY MRS. GEORGINA ROWAND, AUNT OF SUBJECT, WHO TOLD TELLO SHE HAD BEEN CALLED BY SOMEONE IN FLORIDA WHO TOLD HER HER NEPHEW HAD BEEN KILLED IN BARRANQUILLA ON SATURDAY NIGHT (AUGUST 12). TELLO TOLD CONOFF MRS. ROWAND CALLED HIM BECAUSE HE IS FRIEND OF FAMILY AND HE IS ONLY PERSON SHE KNOWS IN COLOMBIA. SHE WANTED HIM TO FIND OUT DETAILS OF NEPHEW S ALLEGED DEATH.

2. CONOFF EXPLAINED TO TELLO EFFORTS HAVE ALREADY BEEN MADE TO FIND OUT IF ROWAND WAS KILED RECENTLY IN OR AROUND BARRANQUILLA, WITH NO EVIDENCE OF HIS DEATH HAVING BEEN FOUND SO FAR. TELLO TOLD CONOFF MRS. ROWAND BELIEVED HER NEPHEW WAS LIVING IN SANTA MARTA RECENTLY.

3. CONOO TRIED TO TELEPHONE GEORGINA ROWAND AT NUMBER TELLO GAVE, (315) 682-6706, FAYETTEVILLE, NEW YORK(NEAR SYRACUSE). INTER-NATIONAL OPERATOR INFORMED CONOFF THAT NUMBER IS NOT IN SERVICE. CONOFF IS ATTEMPTING CONTACT TELLO AGAIN, IN CALI, TO FIND  
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OUT IF NUMBER WAS CORRECTLY GIVEN.

4. CONSULAR ASSISTANCT CHECKED AGAIN THIS MORNING WITH BARRANQUILLA POLICE AND VITAL SATTISTICS DEPARTMENT(WHERE ALL DEATHS IN BARRANQUILA AND ENVIRONS MUST BE RECORDED) BUT THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF ANY AMERICAN S HAVING DIED RECENTLY. FRANK.

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